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Filed : October 27, 2003
For : BLOOD VESSEL KNIFE
Art Unit : 3731
Examiner : Melanie Tyson

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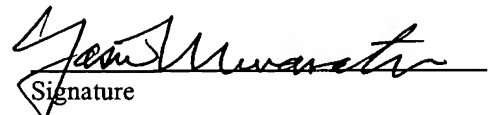
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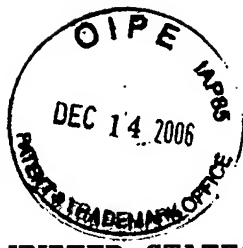
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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the office action mailed September 5, 2006 from the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the above-identified patent application. Please make the following changes: